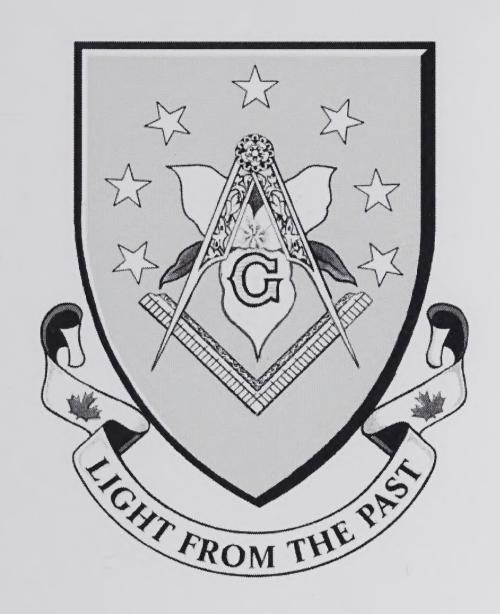
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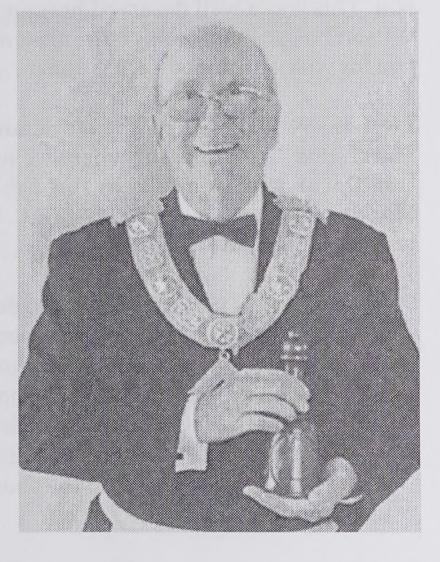
Worshipful Master's Address 2017

R.W. Bro. William F. Utton

What an honour and a privilege it has been for me to serve as your Worshipful Master of the Heritage Lodge No. 730 this past year of 2016-17. Many exciting things have happened over the course of this past year, which would not have been possible without the assistance of the past Masters, officers, and members of Heritage Lodge. I wish to express my deepest gratitude and appreciation to all.

While there were numerous events that the Heritage Lodge took part in this year,

here are some particular highlights:



Firstly, in November, to start the year off was the installation of Heritage Lodge No. 730 by the M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell. It cannot be overstated what a terrific job that was done by all the members of the Installing Board.

Next, we purchased a new Heritage Banner to be used at our regular meetings.

Following this, was one of the highlights of my year, our black-tie dinner in January R.W. Bro. David Neave and his committee put in a lot of hard work to ensure that the evening was a great success. The evening included a guest speaker, who gave an insightful presentation on the Battle of Vimy Ridge and the significance of the Canadian Expeditionary Force to the success of that battle.

The Dunlop Award was presented by M.W. Bro. C. Edwin Drew on behalf of the Dunlop Award Committee to **R.W. Bro. Frank F. Wilson**. This was a well deserved honour for all that R.W. Bro. Frank F. Wilson has accomplished both masonically and personally. I salute you for your continued dedication.

I would also like to thank the Markham Union Lodge for hosting our March 18th, 2017 meeting where we had the pleasure of listening to Bro. David Jamieson take us through the illustrious history of the Markham Union Lodge No. 87 G.R.C. Congratulations on making it to such a milestone anniversary.

On May 2nd at 11:00 am, **CFB Borden**, Canadian Heritage Lodge was invited to participate in the presentation of the Vimy Ridge Memorial to commemorate the 100th anniversary of that battle. We became involved in this worthy cause once R. W. Bro. Pratt contacted V. W. Bro. Arnold McCausland. I am delighted to share that Heritage Lodge donated nearly 50% of the funds required to complete the project which is a testament to the character of each and everyone of you who donated you efforts.

In July three members of Heritage Lodge travelled on the **Queen Mary II**, where the V.W. Bro. Malcolm Parish was married. Heritage lodge acquired dispensation from the Grand Master to run a meeting using our charter aboard the ship. There were approximately twenty-one Masons, from various districts, who were legally able to attend this meeting, including the ship's Commodore. Also, a plaque was given to commemorate this event, and it is my understanding that it is now on the wall, floating around the ocean. For more information about this event, R.W Bro. David Neave will be presenting a paper about it.

Finally, my brethren, let me say thank you for the experiences over the past year. The dedication and commitment exhibited have truly made this year one of the highlights of my experiences. I have been afforded the privilege of being a Worshipful Master twelve times over the years. While each experience enriched my life, the uniqueness of Heritage lodge has left an indelible impression.

Sincerely and Fraternally, William (Bill) Utton, Worshipful Master R.W. Bro. William F. Utton Worshipful Master 2016-2017

Masonic Biography of R. W. Bro. William F. Utton

CRAFT LODGE

- Worshipful Master, Willowdale Lodge No. 717 1986
- Member, Dufferin Lodge No. 570 1995 to Present
- Member, Doric Lodge No. 424 2007 to Present
- Toronto East Implementation Committee 2006
- Grand Lodge Resource Committee 2007 to 2009
- President, Toronto Don Valley Association 2010 & 2011
- President, Toronto Masonic Guild 2011 to Present
- President, Toronto Masonic Service Guild 1998, 2001, & 2011 to Present
- Grand Director of Ceremonies 2014-2015
- Worshipful Master, Heritage Lodge 2016-2017

ROYAL ARCH

- Life Member, Mount Sinai Chapter 1997 to Present
- 2nd Principal, University Chapter No. 241 2002

CONCLAVE

Member, Holy Trinity Conclave No. 34 2012 to Present

AASR

- Member, Scottish Rite Valley of Toronto 1984 to Present
- CoronetedHonourary Inspector General 33° A. & A.S.R. 2013

AAOMS

- Member, Rameses Shrine 1985 to Present
- President, Toronto Shrine Club 2009
- Masonic Ambassador to Panama 2015 to Present

OTHER COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP:

- Vice President, Pickering Museum Advisory Board 1991 to 2007
- Vice President, Pickering Museum Foundation 1998 to 2007
- President & Director, York Condominium 65 1972 to 1985
- Member, City of Pickering Committee of Adjustment 2002 to 2009
- Volunteer, Ajax Pickering Hospital (Rouge Valley) 2011 to Present
- Director, Association of Seneca Retirees Association 2006 to Present

The Editor Of The Proceedings' Remarks

With the passing of R.W. Bro. Jacob Pos to the Grand Lodge Above, we have lost one of the founding members of Heritage Lodge and indeed one of the first proponents of its existence. Heritage Lodge was established to nurture the preservation of our history and our future by the presentation of papers in a lecture setting.

The requirements of any speeches presented in Heritage Lodge are as follows:

- A digital or hard copy of the presentation is to be sent to the Secretary of Heritage Lodge and to the Editor of the Proceedings prior to its presentation to the brethren at large.
- Any graphics used should be included in a separate file, if possible, to maintain their sharpness given that many programs "dumb" them down.
- Brethren contacting the proposed speaker should make them well aware, in advance, of our requirements.

For the year 2017 out of four presentations only two were submitted. The Secretary and the Editor spent two months attempting to receive a copy of the missing presentations. One presentation was promptly received and the other NOT at all.

R.W. Bro. W. Bruce Miller, Editor

Vimy Ridge

January 28, 2017 - Annual Black Tie Banquet The School Fine Dining - Markham

W. Bro. Richard Harding

Requested, but NOT received.



A Brief History of Markham Union Lodge

March 18, 2017

Brougham Union Masonic Temple - Marham Union Lodge No 87

Bro. David Jamieson

Markham Union Lodge was established in 1857.

From what can be gathered from the materials that have been compiled by other members of this lodge over time, who's efforts we cannot be grateful enough, for I quote from the compilation of our lodge's history, as compiled by V.W Bro Shenfield, who was a past Grand Steward himself, who wrote in 1983:

"The population of Markham and the surrounding area was small, and everyone knew everyone else, there was little need of giving an applicant's full name, address and occupation as everyone knew who he was, where he lived and what he did, but such omissions have made it exceedingly difficult to trace some of our early members."

The importance of the Institution of Lodges is not to be denied, yet equally vital is the continuation of Lodges so Instituted.Although none of us can take credit for the founding of this Lodge more than 125 years ago, we can be proud that each of us, in our own way, contributed to its survival.

Following is a copy of the oldest document discovered pertaining to the formation of our Lodge.

"To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the United Fraternity of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada. We the undersigned being regular registered Masons of the Lodges mentioned against our names, having the prosperity of the craft at heart and anxious to exert our best endeavours to promote and diffuse the genuine principals of the Art; and for convenience of our respective dwellings and other good reasons, we are desirous of forming a new Lodge to be named the Markham Union Lodge, empowering us to meet as a regular Lodge at Unionville in the Township of Markham, County of York on the xxx of every Month, and there, to discharge the duties of Masonry in a constitutional manner, according to the forms of the order and the laws of the Grand Lodge, and we have nominated and do recommend Bro. John De Mott to be the first Master, Brother Salem Eckerett to be the first Senior Warden and Brother John Carter to be the first Junior Warden of the said Lodge. The prayer of this petition being granted, we promise strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master and the Laws and Regulations of Grand Lodge."

Jesse Noble, King Lodge No. 37 John Carter, King Lodge No. 37 Charles Keller, late Richmond Lodge.

This document undated would seem to be a preliminary draft of a petition evidenced by the fact that it was only signed by three and that only five are mentioned.

Note: Unfortunately, when R.Wor. Bro. G.Rech and V.W Bro. Shenfield visited the Grand Lodge Offices in Hamilton on September 21st, 1982, they were unable to discover any correspondence from our Lodge to Grand Lodge or copies of correspondence from Grand Lodge to our Lodge prior to the year 1908.

We do have the dispensation from Grand Lodge signed by Thos. B. Harris, Grand Secretary, dated August 31st, 1857, and countersigned in the upper left-hand corner by Wm.M.Wilson (the first Grand Master). The petitioners mentioned are Wm. Campbell to be Worshipful Master, John Dermott to be Senior Warden, Salem Eckerett to be Junior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Jesse Noble, John Carter, Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Keeler, Language Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles Robert Wisenior Warden, Charles W

man and John Burr.

The late Wor. Bro. W.A. Craig in a History of Markham Union Lodge No. 87 G.R.C. 1857 -1958 (as compiled from the minutes) states that Robert Wiseman and John Burr never became members of the Lodge and suggests that they likely supported the petition to make enough names for a quorum.

We discovered that the Registers of Grand Lodge record the same eight names on the dispensation as "Charter Members" of Markham Union Lodge. Their names must have appeared on a petition to be mentioned on the dispensation and that they are recorded as Charter Members on the Grand Lodge indicates that they were indeed members of the Lodge.

THE WARRANT

At the third annual communication of Grand Lodge of Canada and the Union with the Ancient Grand Lodge held in July 1858, Markham Union Lodge is recorded as the second Lodge on a list of sixteen Lodges operating under dispensation. Our Lodge was represented at the communication by Wor. Bro. Wm. Campbell, our first Master.

The date on our Charter is July 28th, 1858, indicating that it was issued immediately after the third annual Communication and a month and three days less than a year from the granting of the dispensation.

Our original number was 50 and we (reputedly) have in our possession the original Volume of the Sacred Law, with number 50 embossed on the cover. The number is first mentioned in the minutes of the meeting held on December 14th, 1858.

The Grand Lodge of Canada had jurisdiction over what is now Quebec but in 1858 was called Canada East, and what is now Ontario called Canada West. Our Charter records that the Lodge is in Markham, C.W. (the abbreviation for Canada West).

With the Union, an attempt was made to renumber Lodges in the or-

der they were instituted and/or warranted. As a result of this numbering a communication was received from the Grand Secretary and read at the regular meeting of the Lodge held on September 9th.1859, notifying Markham Union Lodge of the change of our number from 50 to 87.

THE NAME MARKHAM UNION

Several theories exist as to the reasons for the name Markham Union Lodge.

- 1. It has been suggested that the word "Union" is an abbreviation for the word "Unionville", the hamlet in which the Lodge was located during the first fourteen months of its existence and Markham for the Municipality in which it was situated. Careful examination of all existing documents and minutes reveals that there is no period after the word "Union" indicating that it is not intended to be an abbreviation.
- 2. Others have suggested that another Lodge existed in this area prior to Markham Union and that the word "Union" indicates a joining or amalgamation of Lodges. Still others have suggested that the number 50 as imprinted on the original Volume of the Sacred Law indicates a previous Lodge.
- 3. The word "Union" may simply indicate a uniting or joining together of men with similar beliefs and ideals.

It may simply be that the word "Union" was intended to commemorate the joyful Union of the Grand Lodge of Canada and the Ancient Grand Lodge which was proposed in 1856, expected to take place in 1857, but which actually occurred in 1858. If this theory were correct, then it would appear as if we are the only existing Lodge named to commemorate that occasion.

It is interesting to note that the Secretary in writing the minutes called it "Union Lodge". Markham, for the first four meetings, then changed to "Union Markham Lodge" for one meeting before correcting the name to "Markham Union", the name mentioned in the draft

petition, the dispensation and the warrant.

At present we currently have approximately 100 members and we meet at the Claremont Masonic Hall, which is also the home of Brougham Union Lodge No. 269.

While we are in Claremont, it should be noted that Markham Union Lodge has met at various locations over its 160 years. Here are those locations:

On Sept 26th, 1857 The lodge met at the Hotel of Anthony Size located at lot 14, Concession 5 east, 1 mile north of what is now Highway 7 on the west side of what is now Kennedy road.



On Oct 20th, 1858 a motion was put forward to move to the village of Markham and meetings would now be held at Bro. Wm. Inglis's Hotel.

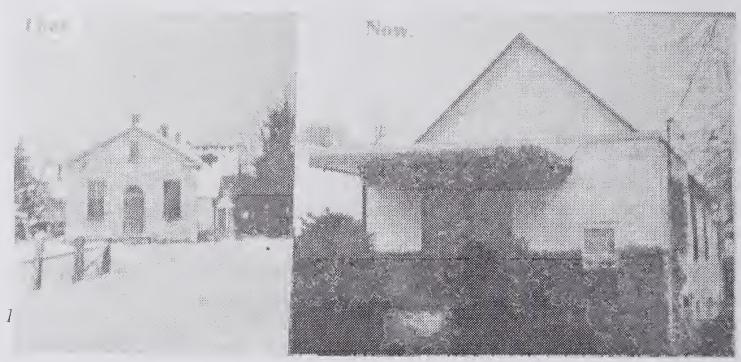
The minutes further show that as of August 12th, 1859 meetings were to be held at the Wellington hotel in Markham.

1858-1872 Wellington Hotel, S.E. Corner Wellington & Main St., Markham



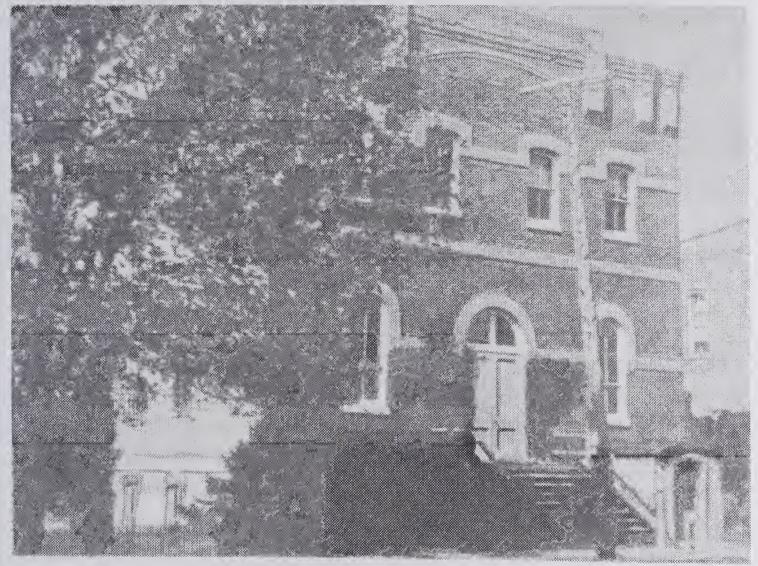
By the late 1860s and early 1870s there were suggestions to move again and while some places were mentioned in Whitevale or Cherrywood neither would become the new home of the lodge.

On Sept 13th, 1872 The regular meeting was held at the Orange Hall on the corner of Church and George streets and was held there for the next ten years while our early brethren Speight, Vanzant, Milne and Carson looked into the idea of building a hall.



Finally, in 1881 a committee was formed to collect 500 dollars to be

invested in the new town hall in the village of Markham. From 1882 until 1959 Markham Union Lodge met at the Town hall on Main Street Markham.



As of May 13th, 1959 The meetings were held in a new location at the corner of Joseph and Albert Streets at the old District High School. Markham Union was at this location until 2004.

1959-2004 Old Markham High School, S.E. Corner Albert & Joseph St., Markham



From 2004 until 2007 we were located at the Stoufville Masonic Hall at 279 Second Street.



From 2007 to 2010 we were located at the Thornhill Masonic Temple and in 2010, we moved to Claremont. We have moved around and

keep our sights on a return to Markham someday.



over its 160 years, namely Wm. Campbell (our first WM) Lewis Langstaff, Henry Corson and James Speight.

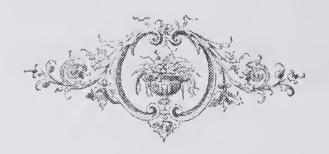
Markham Union Lodge Officers and Brethren



Also Joseph and Frederick Reesor, Ross Jarvis, James Empringham, Carmen Lewis and many others of note to the community of Markham even today. Although we are situated in Claremont, we participate in various charities and community events in the City of Markham.

It is notable that our lodge was form a decade before the confederation of Canada and members of the lodge take prides in this. Our lodge has almost gone dark as it went through 160 years of the ups and downs that come with the ebb and flow of time. With perseverance, respect and maintaining our traditions, we hope that Markham Union Lodge continues far into the future.

That is a brief history with some other aspects of how we came to be and where we've been, how we came to get our warrant and an educated guess on how we came to name this lodge.



The Brockville Railroad Tunnel

May 13, 2017 Brockville Masonic Temple - Sussex Lodge No. 5

W.Bro. James W. Clark

All photos courtesy of Keith Hare

Brockville, 1832. Founded 50 years previous by United Empire Loyalists, many of whom came from New England following the armed insurrection against the King, it has sometimes been described as what a typical northern USA town would have been like had the Revolution not occurred. The original town centre consists of an open green with the courthouse on the north side and one of the main Protestant Churches at each corner. The one at the southwest corner was the local Masonic Temple for many years and later caught fire after becoming a fitness centre. In that year the citizens petitioned the Legislature to become a "Police Village", that is governance separated from the surrounding township with an elected magistrate/mayor and a board of police/town council (The first in the province, two years before Toronto).

Transportation was a problem. While canals had been built around the St. Lawrence Rapids, they had high capital costs and in the winter they would freeze. For many the future seemed to lie with the Railways. There are two classes of railways. Trunk Railways and Colonization Railways. The latter type was to connect the hinterland with an established transportation system. In 1854 the Brockville and Ottawa Railway was chartered. At the time "Ottawa" meant the Ottawa River. The city as we know it today was not renamed until 1857 when its name was changed from Bytown and chosen as the capital for the united Provinces of Canada. Many feel that things have gone downhill there ever since.

To ship timber from the Ottawa valley to the growing market in what is now called the US Midwest it was necessary to reach the water-front. Samuel Keefer, a renowned Civil Engineer, recommended a loop line following a small river known as "Butler's Creek" through the west end of town. Most directors of the Company, and the contractor, John and David Booth of Yorkshire England favoured doing it like the English which meant as straight and level as possible, which meant a tunnel under the main settled part of town.

The Freemasons were asked to co-ordinate a cornerstone laying ceremony. The two main Lodges involved were Brock Lodge #9 and Beta Lodge in Perth. This was a big deal for both communities as it meant there would be an alternative to the muddy roads of the day. The ceremony took place on Saturday, September 16, 1854, as well as the two lodges mentioned other groups such as the Oddfellows, the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of Jericho, and The Sons of Temperance, plus many others. I suspect only women and children were left to watch the parade.

The parade assembled on Courthouse Green at noon. Among the participants was Grand Marshal Hiram Fulford, Deputy Grand Master William B. Simpson, and Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Adiel Sherwood, who was also Sheriff of Leeds County. When the parade through town reached the construction site, the ceremony was conducted, with Grand Master of Ceremonies, Dr. Ashton of Bath repeating the appropriate Masonic Prayer at each stage with the brethren present replying, "So Mote it Be!"

The Band struck up "GOD SAVE THE QUEEN" and then the Brock-ville Artillery Company fired a 15 gun salute, reportedly using the old blockhouse as a target. Reverend Mr. Smart, Grand Chaplain, then addressed the company. (The Brockville Recorder did not print this address as it would have taken four full pages of the newspaper.) Clergymen were known for the length of their sermons back then). A banquet was then held at Wilson's Hotel with many toasts and speeches.

Various objects were deposited in the cornerstone but unfortunately we haven't been able to locate it during the present restoration.





Vents leading to chimneys through city hall.

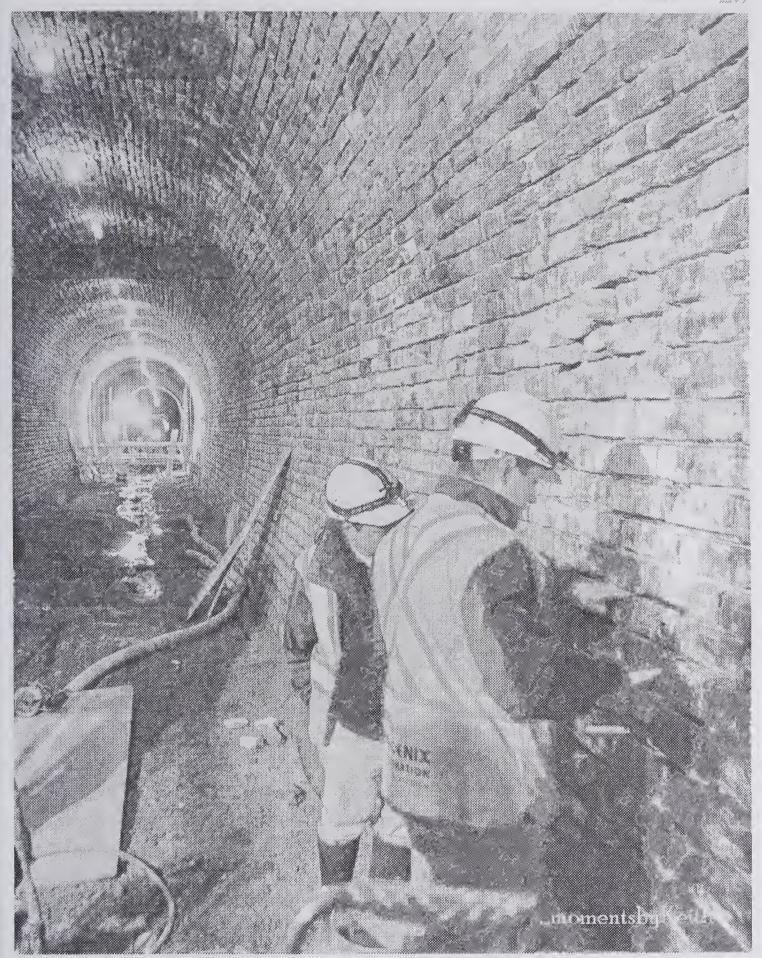
Construction went well at first. A cutting was made at the south end, the arch built and the excavated material replaced. A temporary, and reportedly rather rickety bridge was constructed to carry King Street over the construction. At the north end a cutting was made until the settled part of town was reached at Pearl Street. Then a system of shielded excavation lined with masonry was used. Then the real fun began. In the centre was a dome of hard basaltic granite rock, which forms most of the Thousand Islands. The only way to remove it was by drilling holes with a hammer and chisel, then using Black Gunpowder, the only explosive available, to blast out the rock. And they did it all bycandle light. People living over the tunnel were subjected the noise and vibration of these explosions. Because of the expense of blasting through solid Rock, John and David Booth Ltd. declared bankruptcy. A group of Yorkshire miners, who hadn't been paid for three months, caught B&O president George Crawford riding in his carriage, upset it and burned it on the main street. However, being polite Yorkshire men they let him out first.



Blasted bedrock to masonry.

The tunnel stood derelict for two years and the B&O had to transfer passengers and goods from the Grand Trunk facilities at the north side of town. The good citizens of Brockville wanted their tunnel. Samuel Keefer, who had spent the last few years as chief Engineer of the Grand Trunk was hired as chief engineer of the B&O and recommended that the tunnel should be finished. The town council voted to guarantee a bond issue and the tunnel was finally opened for business in December of 1860.

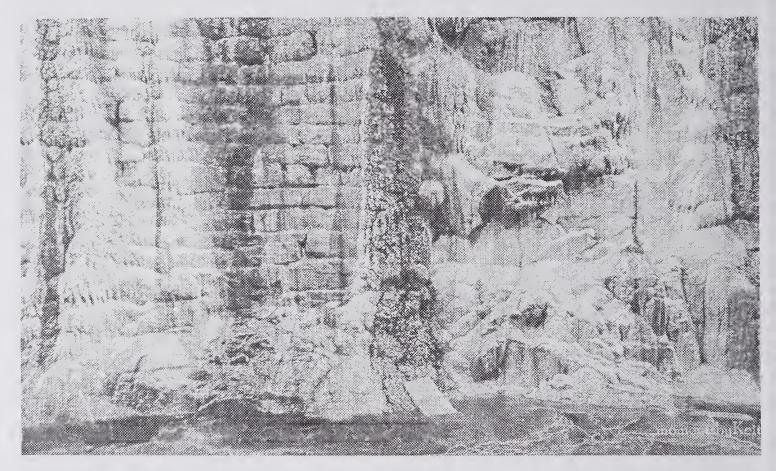
The waterfront was transformed. Spoil from the tunnel was used to form a causeway and Blockhouse became a peninsula with an engine house where the fort had been, freight depots, and docks for transferring goods, mainly timber to ships, and later coal to railcars. One unique feature was the gates fitted at both portals, to keep wandering livestock out of the tunnel between trains. There were also two vent shafts about 230 Meters from the south end. In 1863 when Victoria Hall (now City Hall) was built they were extended as chimneys.



Pointing of masonry.

Brockville and Ottawa became part of the Canada Central Railway. which slowly extended the line as far west as Mattawa. In the 1880's it became part of the newly formed Canadian Pacific Railway. which changed the gauge from the 5' 6" provincial gauge to the 4' 8&1/2"

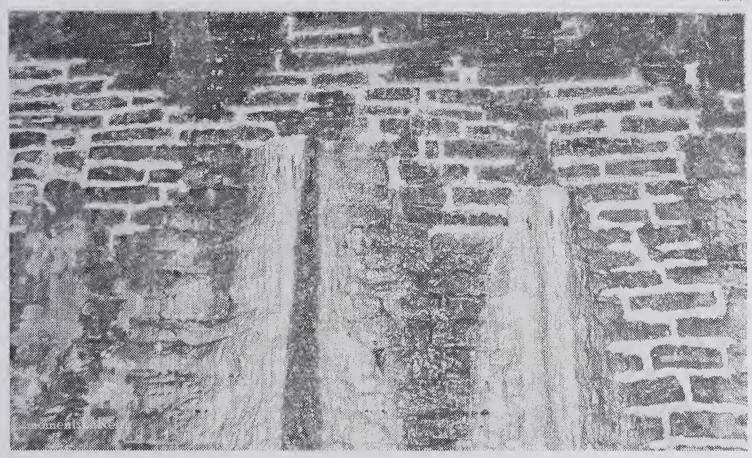
Standard Gauge. For a brief period Brockville was the eastern terminal for the Transcontinental railway and the forwarding of material for the construction of the line to North Bay and beyond was important traffic. Even this early, the tunnel that was built to British loading gauge, was a cause of concern, as North American Locomotives and freight cars were growing larger. In 1883 the loop line which had originally been recommended by Samuel Keefer (remember him) with a transfer pier was built.



Mineralization through masonry.

As long as there was business the CPR used the tunnel. The original roundhouse disappeared fairly early. By the early 20th century two old Mogul type steam engines were retained to be re placed in 1953 by ALCO diesel switchers. By 1969 the last waterfront industry (Ault Milk Products) closed and the last symbolic train went through in October of that year. Four years later the tracks were removed and in 1983 the city acquired the waterfront land, including the tunnel for one dollar. The waterfront land was renovated into a park thanks to a generous donation from Sifton Foundation. A short section was opened at the south end. But for the next three decades the city council argued about he tunnel. Many wanted to fill it up or rent it out as a mushroom farm.





Mineralization through masonry.

When David LeSeure was elected to city council he formed a new committee. Fund-raising started almost immediately and the main question that needed to be answered was "Is the tunnel safe?' Most engineering firms are used to studying structures. One of the members early on remarked that the tunnel is like a mine so inquiries were made at Queen's University at Kingston. There is a professor there who is a world-renowned expert on tunnelling who did not even realize that there was a tunnel an hour's drive from his home. After a LIDAR scan, test drillings and water sampling the tunnel was pronounced sound. In 2016 repair work started with re pointing the masonry. Then a concrete pathway with drainage was laid and programmable LCD lighting supplied by PHILIPS installed. As much as possible local suppliers and contractors were used.



Dr. Mark Dietrick with his Queen's University class.



 $Philips\ Electronics\ LED\ light\ demonstration$

August 12, 2017, the tunnel was reopened. A parade was held following the original route as close as possible to the south end, speeches made by local dignitaries including the dedication of a plaque by to-

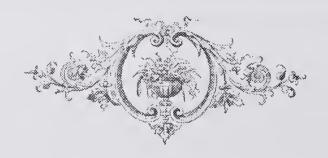
day's Sussex Lodge #5, the successor to Brock lodge #9, and Grand Lodge of Canada in The Provence of Ontario. (If you don't know who they are look them up.)

Finally at 12:30 the moment everyone was waiting for came. Led by the Brockville City pipe band the gates were opened and the crowd started going through. It had been speculated that it would draw 10,000 visitors per month. On this first day the count was lost at 13,000 and it is conservatively estimated the number exceeded 15,000.



Water sampling. All water proved to be ground water

For further reading I would suggest Googling "Brockville Railway Tunnel".



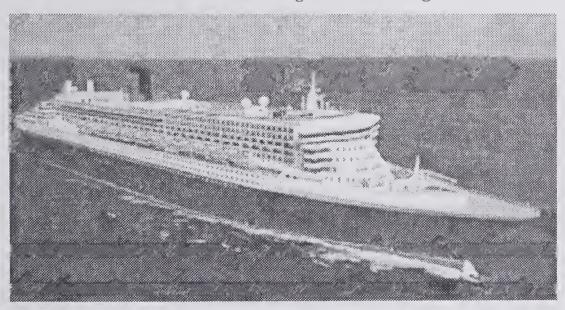
The Heritage Lodge No. 730

June 20, 2017 Emergent Meeting Report The Heritage Lodge No. 730 A.F. & A. M.

On Tuesday, June 20, somewhere in the middle of The North Atlantic Ocean (Latitude 50°00' NLongitude 020°20' W to be exact), a special Emergent Meeting of The Heritage Lodge No. 730 washeld, to help celebrate the 300th anniversary of The United Grand Lodge of England, and the 150thanniversary of the Confederation of Canada. Twenty one Masons from five different jurisdictionsattended the meeting.

Planning for the meeting began on March 20. 2015. The Heritage Lodge held a meeting in St. Thomas on Saturday, March 21, 2015. R. W. Bro. David Neave, V. W. Bro. Malcolm Parish and W.Bro. Bill Willis, drove down the night before to London and stayed at a hotel to save an earlymorning drive.

After dinner, discussion turned to the 300th Anniversary of The United Grand Lodge of England andwhat special events could be planned. Bill had recently been on a transatlantic crossing on TheQueen Mary 2 and suggested that it would be a great idea to put together a Masonic themed tourincluding a crossing on The Queen Mary 2. The three thought it was a great idea and decided to pursue it. The idea was conveyed to several brethren who thought it also a great idea.



Plans began to transpire. The initial interested group of ten Masons and wives ended up being three; Bro's Neave, Parish and Willis by the time December 2016 came around. Research had been undertaken to find aunified ritual that was recognized by our Grand Lodge that could possibly be used on the ship. That changed at a meeting of The Builders SW group. The idea was posed to M. W. Bro. Campbellwho immediately suggested using The Heritage Lodge's Charter as that was in fact a travelling Charter.

The WM of The Heritage Lodge was approached and he consented to the use of the Charter, pending approval of The Grand Master. M. W. Bro. John C. Green granted dispensation for themeeting to occur. A special summons for the meeting was sent to The Heritage Lodge members.

As is custom on all Cunard sailings, a gathering of Masons was held on Saturday, June 17 in TheBoard Room on board The Queen Mary 2. At this gathering, the idea of opening a Lodge wasintroduced and received warmly.

In the daily publication delivered to all cabins on board, the following announcement was placed:

Masonic Meeting

You are summoned by the Worshipful Master, to an emergent meeting of The Heritage Lodge No. 730 of The Grand Lodge of Canada In the Province of Ontario to be held Tuesday, 20 June, 2017 at 10.30am in the ConneXions room 3.

The agenda will be as follows:

Open The Heritage Lodge
Introduce Masonic members
Go to Refreshment
Welcome and introduce all non-Masonic visitors
Special Presentation to Senior Queen Mary 2 staff
Presentation on Rosslyn Chapel
Return to Labour
Close The Heritage Lodge

2017 marks the 300th anniversary of the United Grand Lodge of England, universally recognized as the origin of modern Freemasonry. To celebrate this momentous anniversary. The Grand Lodge of Canada In the Province of Ontario has granted dispensation for this emergent meeting under their travelling warrant.

This is an actual meeting with formal ritual. Masons will be required to give proof of standing. Join us in celebrating this historic event.

To our delight, 18 other brethren showed up for the meeting for a total of 21 masons present. Theofficers were as follows:

W. Master (acting	R. W. Bro. David Neave
I.P.M (acting)	W. Bro. G. W. Thomas
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Chaplain	S. S.
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Tyler	

The following jurisdictions were represented:

- United Grand Lodge of England 14 members • Grand Lodge of Scotland 1 member • Grand Lodge of West Virginia 1 member • Grand Lodge of Illinois 2 members
- Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario 3 members

The Lodge was opened by The Worshipful Master of the day, R. W. Bro. David Neave at 10:30 am. whowarmly welcomed everyone and explained the genesis of the meeting. He also pointed out to all guests. the Charter and letter of Dispensation from M. W. Bro. John C. Green, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Bro. SW then gave a brief history of The Heritage Lodge No. 730.

The Lodge was called to refreshment at 11:00am and non-Masonic guests were welcomed including CaptainChristopher Wells, Captain of The Queen Mary 2.



Once all visitors had settled, the WM explained that the meeting was being held to celebrate the 300thanniversary of The United Grand Lodge of England. He then introduced Captain Wells and invited him, Bro. JW and Bro. SW to join him in The East. Bro. JW presented the Captain with a plaque commemorating the meeting and both the 300th

anniversary of The UGLE and the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation.

The Captain responded that he would find a specialplace for the plaque on board. He also commented that many gatherings have been held on Cunard ships, but he wasn't aware of any actual meetings. He also commented that as he looked through the register kepton board, he discovered that over the years, the Masonic gatherings on board collected and donated tens of thousands of dollars to various Captains' Charities.

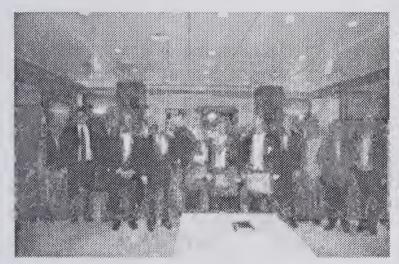
The Captain was then presented with a HeritageLodge lapel pin, a commemorative coin from TheGrand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario aswell as a lapel pin celebrating the unbreakable bondbetween The United Grand Lodge of England and The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

A presentation on the validity of Masonic ties to Rosslyn Chapel was then presented by R. W. Bro. David Neave.

All guests were thanked for attending and asked to remain for some coffee following Lodge closing. Lodge was called back to labour at 11:30.

The WM then thanked all who attended and presented all with the commemorative coin and Heritage LodgeLapel pin. The WM also presented all those who served as officers for the meeting, the special lapel pincommemorating the bond between the two Grand Lodges. The various regalia of The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario were then explained to the visiting brethren.

Bro. JW announced that as per tradition at Masonic gatherings on Cunard ships, a representative brokencolumn was available for any and all donations. The sum of \$ 245 US, and £ 65 was presented to thecaptain's secretary on behalf of all present on June 20. The funds were donated to the captain's charity ofchoice, The Prince's Trust.





To add to this memorable occasion and trip, V. W. Bro. Malcolm Parish was married to his, now, wife Judy by Captain Wells on Sunday, June 18.



On behalf of all present, I would like to thank R. W. Bro. Bill Utton, WM of The Heritage Lodge for allowingus to use The Charter, and to M. W. Bro. John C. Green, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario for granting dispensation. All who attended enjoyed the morning and commented onhow great it was of our Grand Lodge to sanction such a wonderful event.

The final thank you must go to W. Bro. Bill Willis, whose imagination started the journey. Malcolm and I are so very proud that you trusted to share your idea with us.

Submitted on behalf of V. W. Bro. Malcolm Parish and W. Bro. Bill Willis by R. W. Bro. David Neave.



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McFADGEN, Duncan

[114] Life Member Burlington Burlington No. 165 Passed to the Grand Lodge Above March 23, 2016

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[1098] Scarborough Riverdale J. R. Robertson No.494 Passed to the Grand Lodge Above July 24, 2016

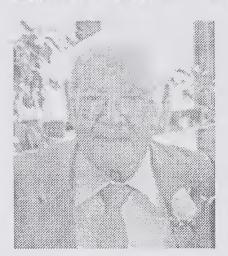
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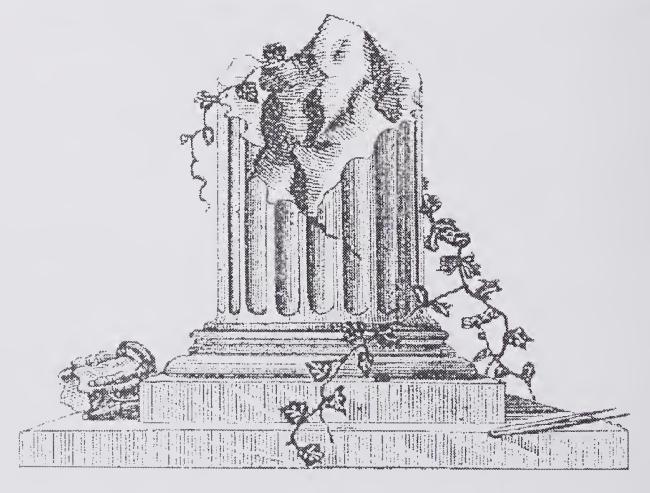
[1401] Pickering Doric No. 424 Passed to the Grand Lodge Above October 31,2016

Jacob "Jack" POS



Passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, January 11, 2018. Jack Pos at the age of 96. Beloved husband of the late Daisy (Pursley) Pos. Loved father of Mary Pos (Noel Knott) of St. Catharines and Rick Pos (Mary Jane Hardy) of Georgetown. Proud grandpa of Sadie and Amy. Dear brother of Evelyn Tisdale of Delhi, Margie Bigelow of Simcoe and the late Yvonne, Ede, Peter and John. Jack was a Past Master of Guelph

Lodge A.F. and A.M. No. 258 G.R.C.; Heritage Lodge No. 730 and Trillium Lodge No. 724, Past Grand Lodge Officer and former Member of the Board of General Purpose, 33rd Degree member Scottish Rite. A Masonic Service will be held at the Gilchrist Chapel on Wednesday, January 17th at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Pos was a Professional Engineer, obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree in structural engineering from the University of Guelph and a second Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Toronto, as well as a Master of Science degree from Michigan State University and had taught Agricultural Engineering at the University of Guelph (OAC) for many years before, specializing in teaching and research work in the area of Waste Management, also at the University of Guelph..



HE WAS OUR FRIEND

"His presence lingers on about the room. His footsteps echo still upon the floor. The brightness of his smiles dispels the gloom. Though he has slipped away, and closed the door. So biding here today I feel I know, Which way his fading footsteps wend; A little time, then the way I shall go. The working tools have fallen from his grasp, The journey ended for his weary feet, Death holds his tired hand in gentle clasp; His work is done; his temple is complete."



